## Amendments to the Abstract:

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## **Abstract**

A water-absorbing composition, a process for producing a water-absorbing composition, a composite comprising a water-absorbing composition, and the use of a water-absorbing composition for releasing an active substance (e.g., a wound treatment substance, a care substance, or combinations thereof) are disclosed. A water-absorbing composition can include active substance-doped water-absorbing polymer particles comprising:

- $\Phi$ 1. an active substance in a quantity in the range from about 0.001 to about 30 wt.%; and
- Φ2. an absorber matrix in a quantity in the range from about 70 to about 99.999 wt.%.

Also, a hygiene article and a wound treatment means, including a water-absorbing composition, are disclosed.